



## **Update:** Weekend closure on Helvetia Road beginning 8 p.m. Jan. 24 (weather permitting)

### **WEEKEND CLOSURE OF HELVETIA ROAD FROM WEST UNION ROAD TO JACOBSON ROAD**

Construction is under way on a project to improve traffic flow and safety in the interchange of U.S. 26 and Brookwood Parkway/Helvetia Road. Construction is slated to be complete in 2015.

As part of the construction, **a weekend closure will occur on Helvetia Road beginning 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24 and ending 5 a.m. Monday, Jan. 27. The closure will be both directions between West Union Road and Jacobson Road. Local traffic will be permitted on Helvetia Road between West Union Road and Schaaf Road.** A signed detour will take traffic to Jacobson Road, Cornelius Pass Road and West Union Road.

The closure is required to complete culvert work and raise the road slightly to meet the new Jacobson Road alignment.

This work is weather dependent and needs dry pavement and temperatures over 40 degrees. Work will get rescheduled if the weather conditions do not meet those requirements.

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### **OVERALL TRAFFIC IMPACTS**

In addition to the weekend closure of Helvetia Road, work will continue through 2014. The contractor plans to do a lot of work during the day behind barriers with no impact to traffic. At several times, drivers will experience traffic shifts and new traffic patterns in the interchange. There will be intermittent daytime lane closures/flagging on Helvetia Road and Jacobson Road and intermittent nighttime lane closures on Brookwood Parkway, U.S. 26 and the on- and off-ramps. Please use caution and follow all construction signage.

Local traffic coming from Jacobson Road, Schaaf Road, Meek Road, West Union Road, Helvetia Road and Brookwood Parkway will experience short delays while traveling in the interchange throughout construction.

The speed limit has been reduced to 40 MPH on Helvetia Road and Brookwood Parkway from West Union Road to Huffman Street. Fines are double around the clock in this section, regardless of whether there's active construction at the time. Be aware there is increased enforcement in the work zone.

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### **PROJECT ELEMENTS**

Project elements of the U.S. 26 Brookwood Parkway/Helvetia Interchange project include:

- Constructing a new westbound U.S. 26 to southbound Brookwood Parkway exit loop ramp. This will be a dedicated off-ramp from U.S. 26 westbound just for motorists heading south on Brookwood Parkway.
- Widening the Brookwood Parkway overcrossing to accommodate additional northbound and southbound lanes over U.S. 26. Once complete, there will be two northbound lanes, three southbound lanes and a left turn lane on the bridge.
- Adding sidewalks and bike lanes within the interchange area
- Extending the northbound right-turn lane from Brookwood Parkway to the eastbound U.S. 26 entrance ramp
- Reconstructing the westbound U.S. 26 entrance ramp from Helvetia Road

### **YOUR RESOURCES FOR STAYING UP-TO-DATE ON THIS PROJECT**

- ⇒ Visit the project website at:  
[www.oregon.gov/ODOT/HWY/REGION1/pages/us26\\_brookwoodpkwy/index.aspx](http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/HWY/REGION1/pages/us26_brookwoodpkwy/index.aspx)
- ⇒ Visit [www.Tripcheck.com](http://www.Tripcheck.com) for up-to-date traffic impacts
- ⇒ Contact the noise hotline with any noise concerns or questions, 24-hours-a-day:  
503-646-0231
- ⇒ Contact Lili Boicourt, ODOT Community Affairs at 503-731-8247 or  
[Lili.D.Boicourt@odot.state.or.us](mailto:Lili.D.Boicourt@odot.state.or.us)

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